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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL NUCLEAR POLICY STATEMENT

REF: STATE 70390; TEL AVIV 2276

1. GOI COMMENTS ON THE PRESIDENT'S FORTHCOMING STATEMENT
ON NUCLEAR POLICY WERE GIVEN TO US ON APRIL 6. THE FULL
TEXT FOLLOWS.

2. QUOTE: THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL APPRECIATES THE FACT
THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES HAS INCLUDED THE
STATE OF ISRAEL AMONG THE COUNTRIES IT HAS WISHED TO CON-
SULT BEFORE THE FORTHCOMING DECLARATION OF THE PRESIDENT

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OF THE UNITED STATES ON THE AMERICAN NUCLEAR POLICY.

3. THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL SHARES THE VIEW THAT THE
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAS TO DIVERSIFY ITS SOURCES
OF ENERGY. IT HAS THEREFORE DECIDED TO SET UP AN APPRO-
PRIATE NUMBER OF NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS. AT THE SAME
TIME THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL IS DEEPLY PREOCCUPIED BY

THE EVENTUALITY THAT SENSITIVE NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGIES AND FACILITIES OR NUCLEAR MATERIALS, USABLE FOR THE FABRICATION OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES, COULD FALL INTO THE HANDS OF IRRESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENTS OR TERRORIST GROUPS.

4. THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL FOLLOWS WITH GREAT INTEREST THE INTERNAL DEVELOPMENTS IN THE UNITED STATES IN THE FIELD OF NUCLEAR POLICY BEARING IN MIND THE RELATIONS EXISTING BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THIS AREA. THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL IS CONFIDENT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF ITS NEW POLICY, WILL FURTHER HELP THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO ACQUIRE THE BENEFITS OF THE PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY.

5. THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL ADVOCATES INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF NUCLEAR ENERGY FOR PEACEFUL USES. THE STATE OF ISRAEL IS A PARTY TO SEVERAL BILATERAL TREATIES OF COOPERATION IN THE FIELD, AND IS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY.

6. THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL SUPPORTS IN PRINCIPLE THE STRENGTHENING OF THE NON-PROLIFERATION REGIME IN THE WORLD. IT HAS COME TO AN UNDERSTANDING WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES ON SUCH BASIC PRINCIPLES, IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION CONCERNING CIVIL USES OF ATOMIC ENERGY, WHICH HAS BEEN INITIALED BY THE TWO GOVERNMENTS.

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7. THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL FAVOURS ADDITIONAL INTERNATIONAL CONTACTS IN ORDER TO PROMOTE A COMMONLY AGREED SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEMS RELATING TO THE USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY. END QUOTE.

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